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International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/000342, in which the European Patent
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U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/000944 to TAKAGI et al., which
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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-074011, which was published
on March 17, 1998, together with an English language Abstract of the same and patent
family member U.S. Patent No. 5,819,150 to HAYASAKI et al., which issued on October
6, 1998;

U.S. Patent No. 5,752,150 to KATO et al., which issued on May 12, 1998;

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 1 174 774, which was published on January 23, 2002; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,999,774 to MASUDA et al., which issued on December 7, 1999.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the European Examiner applying the appropriate rules to the claims are set forth in the International Search Report, a copy of which is attached.

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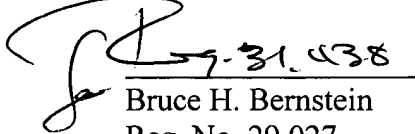
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

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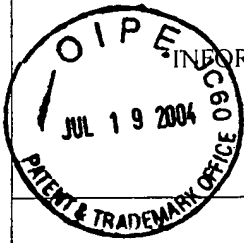
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		1	English Language Abstract of JP 10-074011.

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